

# Riverside Neighborhood Partnership

The Riverside Neighborhood Partnership (RNP) is a coalition of neighborhood associations and groups registered with the City of Riverside Housing and Neighborhoods Division. They are represented by a board composed of neighborhood, business, chamber, education, city government and non-profit organization leaders working together to improve the quality of life in Riverside.

## The RNP Board's goals:

Encourage and facilitate the formation of neighborhood associations citywide

Provide a monthly forum for the communication between neighborhoods and the City

Offer assistance and education to neighborhood groups in solving problems and accessing resources

Provide neighborhood leadership training

Act as an advocate for neighborhood interests in City Hall

## RNP and City of Riverside programs include:

Riverside Neighborhood Conference

Neighborhood Leadership Academy

Neighborhood Matching Grant Program

Neighborhood Newsletter Minigrant Program

The Riverside Neighborhood Partnership mission is to support neighborhoods in organizing to protect and maintain neighborhood quality of life. It is the Partnership's belief that organized neighborhoods are:

Better equipped to tackle problems that periodically emerge

Proactive in addressing crime, disaster preparedness, beautification, information sharing and helping each other

A unified voice at City Hall which can accomplish more than individuals working alone. There is power in numbers!

Fun and improved quality of life for all!



## History

The Riverside Neighborhood Partnership (RNP) was established in 1994 as a forum for neighborhood collaboration and networking in the City of Riverside. The all-volunteer board assists neighborhoods with free support in neighborhood organizing and problem-solving. All neighborhood representatives are leaders of neighborhood associations currently registered with the City of Riverside.

The RNP is staffed by the Housing & Neighborhoods Division of the Development Department which serves as a conduit to increase and improve communication between City Hall and neighborhoods. The RNP is part of the Neighborhoods Program, which is in place to stimulate and support active citizenship in Riverside through community organizing, neighborhood leadership development and small project neighborhood grants.

## RNP Board Members 2008-2009

The RNP board consists of 24 community volunteers and a City Council member.

### Area 1: Downtown, Grand, Northside, Wood Streets, Hunter Industrial Park

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*L-R Top Row: Nancy Sturmer, Amy Aldana, Albert Figueroa,  
Gurumantra Khalsa, Jeff Kraus, Karin Roberts, Nancy Hart,  
Aurora Chavez, Christina Duran*

*L-R Sitting: Taffi Romero, Scott Andrews, Susie Doss, Justin Scott-Coe*

*Not Pictured: Cindy Jensen, Wil Lopez, Melvin Ryman, Lorraine  
Hernandez Saint, Paul Van Doren*



### Please join us!

We meet the first Monday  
of the month at 6:30 p.m.

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